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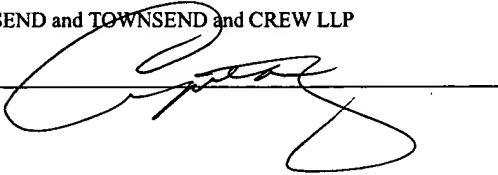
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In re application of:

Hideaki Tanaka

Application No.: 09/916,393

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For: AN INFORMATION STORAGE
SYSTEM WITH INCREASED
RELIABILITY FOR CONTINUOUS
OPERATION, AND A RECORDING
CONTROL METHOD

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 7773

Examiner: Robert Chevalier

Technology Center/Art Unit: 2616

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 31, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.